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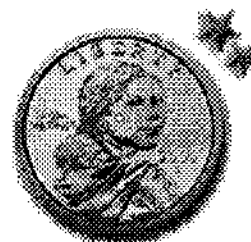
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INTRODUCING THE NEW GOLDEN DOLLAR COIN SACAGAWEA



The U.S. Mint began full-scale production of the new Golden Dollar in November of 1999 and is scheduled to be released to the public early this year.

This new Golden Dollar Coin is constructed with alloy layers on each side of a core which is manganese bronze, a golden-colored material composed of 77% copper, 12% zinc, 7% manganese, and 4% nickel.

The release of this new dollar coin does not require programming or retrofitting of machines that currently accepts dollar coins. All Mars coin changers we purchase for shipboard vending machines will accept this new dollar coin. This coin matches the same specifications of the Susan B. Anthony dollar coin, so any model coin changer that accepts the Susan B. Anthony will accept the new Sacagawea dollar coin. All that is required is to turn on the "dollar coin accept" switch inside the coin changer.

Sacagawea was the young Shoshone woman who, during the years 1804-1806, joined the Lewis and Clark expedition enroute from the Ohio River Valley to the Pacific Ocean and back. Sacagawea played a crucial role in the success of the expedition by lending her knowledge of Native American languages and the topography of the Northern Rocky Mountains. The decision to create a design inspired by Sacagawea reflects a long tradition of placing symbolic images of women and Native Americans on U.S. coinage as a means of communicating our nation's history and values.